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STORY

One day, Katsuragi Megumi, a café manager came across a deeply wounded patissier, Honda Yuuji. Since then, Honda has helped out at Megumi's café. Even though Megumi is much older and a bit clumsy, his cuteness truly touched Honda. One night, Honda sees Megumi screaming some man's name while masturbating. Seeing such an obscene Megumi, Honda realizes that he actually loves Megumi. ♥

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One leaf

THE RAIN WAS POURING HEAVILY THE DAY MY DRE SHATTERED
HISSSS
I REALLY DIDN'T CARE ABOUT ANYTHING ANYMORE
SPLASH

WHAT'S WRONG?
worried
ARE YOU LOST?
.....
WAH
IF YOU'RE NOT LOST, THEN YOU'D BETTER GO HOME,
OTHER-WISE YOU'LL CATCH A COLD
SUCH BIG EYES

THEY'RE SO BEAUTIFUL.
DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU REALLY ARE LOST?
TEA-RED PUPILS...
THEN WOULD YOU LIKE TO COME TO MY PLACE?
THE MEMORY OF OUR ENCOUNTER WAS JUST LIKE THAT, I CAN'T REMEMBER ANYTHING AFTER...

EGGS AND MILK
AND BUTTER
THE SMELL OF VANILLA .
AH
BECAUSE BACK THEN,
I WAS DRUNK.
HM?
thump
JU MP
THE SMELL OF BURNT BUTTER!?

AH, AH...
Peeking
HUH?
WHERE IS THIS PLACE...?
THAT'S RIGHT, I...
RAN AWAY FROM SENPAI'S PLACE
BUT
UMM I-
EX-CUSE ME...
IS IT COMING FROM THE KITCHEN?
TAP
TAP
THIS STINKY SMELL REALLY ISN'T RIGHT...

AA GOOD MORN-ING!
DID YOU SLEEP WELL? ARE YOU FEELING BETTER?
AH...
BEAUTIFUL, TEA-RED.
THAT'S RIGHT. THIS MAN PICKED ME UP
I'M FINE NOW, THANK YOU
THAT'S GREAT!
NO IT'S NOT!
DO YOU SMELL SOME-THING?

UGH
IT'S ALL BLACK
UH
ACTUALLY, I WANTED TO MAKE SOME PANCAKES..
I'M REALLY CLUMSY
I ALWAYS FAIL
ALWAYS FAIL? AT MAKING PANCAKES?
WOULD YOU LET ME TRY?
MAYBE THAT'S ALSO A SKILL..
HUH? DO YOU KNOW NOW?
IF IT'S JUST SOME-THING LIKE THIS, IT'S NO PROBLEM

HERE, ENJOY
IT LOOKS WON-DER-FUL!
CAN I EAT IT?
OF COUR-SE
IT'S DELI-CIOUS!
Nibble
thu-thump

I DIDN'T ADD ANY-THING SPE-CIAL.
HONDA! WHAT DID YOU PUT IN IT?
IT'S TRUE!
YOU...
I'M HONDA
WHAT?
THEN YOU MUST BE A GENIUS!
BECAUSE YOU CAN MAKE SUCH DELICIOUS PANCAKES!
YOU'RE EXAG-GERAT-ING
A SMILE FULL OF HAPPI-NESS,
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I LAST SAW SOMEONE SMILE LIKE THAT,
WITH SUCH SWEETNESS
CLICK
HONDA?

YESTERDAY, YOU SAID YOU WERE LOST,
BUT IS THAT TRUE?
OH, THAT
YEAH, MORE OR LESS
I QUIT MY JOB,
AND THEN I LEFT WHERE I USED TO LIVE...
THEN,
WOULD YOU LIKE TO STAY HERE?
HUH?

OH
IS THIS A CAFE?
WHAT
!?
OPEN
YES
IT'S VERY SMALL, BUT AT LEAST IT'S MY OWN

I SEE—
SO I'VE BEEN LOOKING TO HIRE SOMEONE NEW.
ACTUALLY, THE REAL OWNER USED TO HELP ME, BUT HE RECENTLY RESIGNED.
I'LL MAKE YOU SOME COFFEE
ANYWAY, SIT DOWN FIRST,
CLUSH
WAH!
RATTLING
AH, AH!
OPENING
AH!
AH—
LET ME MAKE IT
RATTLE

YOU SURE ARE CLUMSY
KATSURAGI-SAN
Click
IT'S FINE IF YOU JUST CALL ME MEGUMI
EVEN THOUGH I AM REALLY CLUMSY,
IT'S NOT USUALLY AS BAD AS IT HAS BEEN TODAY
SO
I FEEL LIKE
REAL-LY?
HEHE
I CAN'T LEAVE THIS PERSON ALONE
S'sh
I UNDER-STAND
PLEASE LET ME WORK HERE
REAL-LY?

THERE ISN'T ANYWHERE I CAN GO ANYWAY,
BUT, MAYBE THE CURRENT SITUATION ISN'T THAT BAD, ALL IN ALL
BUT — I'M REALLY NO GOOD AT GETTING ALONG WITH OTHER PEOPLE
THANK YOU!

ALL RIGHT.
YOU CAN STOP FOR TODAY.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK
THANKS FOR VISITING!
DING
Sigh
ALL THANKS TO YOU, HONDA-SAN!
THE NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS HAS INCREASED RECENTLY,
I DON'T THINK SO...
OUR FEMALE CLIENTS MUST COME BECAUSE OF YOU!
BECAUSE HONDA'S REALLY GOOD LOOKING,
ME?
SWISH

tsk
IS YOU'RE ACTUALLY VERY CLUMSY.
BUT WHAT EVERY-BODY DOESN'T KNOW,
YOUR PRETTY FACE ATTRACTS THE ATTENTION OF MANY CUSTOMERS
YOU, TOO
ISN'T IT ...?
WHAT AM I SO HAPPY ABOUT
BUT...
RI~ING
AH!
SORRY, BUT WE ARE ALREADY CLOSED FOR TODAY!
SAKIKO!

HUH?
LONG TIME NO SEE, MEGUMI-KUN!
HOW HAVE YOU BEEN ALL THIS TIME?
HM,
SAKIKO STILL SEEMS TO BE VERY BUSY, RIGHT?
I'M SO BUSY THAT I'M NEARLY DYING!
HUH
IS THIS THE NEW GUY?
THAT'S RIGHT, YOU MUST BE THE YUUJI THAT I ALWAYS HEAR ABOUT!
I HEARD THAT YOU WERE TAKEN IN BY MEGUMI-KUN
YES
ALWAYS HEAR ABOUT...? WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

YOU!
YOU ARE YUUJI, RIGHT?
Ha~
YES?
EVERY TIME YOU SEE STRAY KITTENS OR PUPPIES, YOU ALWAYS TAKE THEM HOME WITH YOU!
FOR GOD'S SAKE, MEGUMI-KUN.
Does that make me a big Mega?
IF YOU EVER DO ANYTHING TO MAKE MEGUMI-KUN SAD,
A FEARSOME ARMY AWAITS YOU! DON'T FORGET.
ALL RIGHT
I'VE ALREADY HEARD SIMILAR THINGS FROM SOME REGULAR CLIENTS...

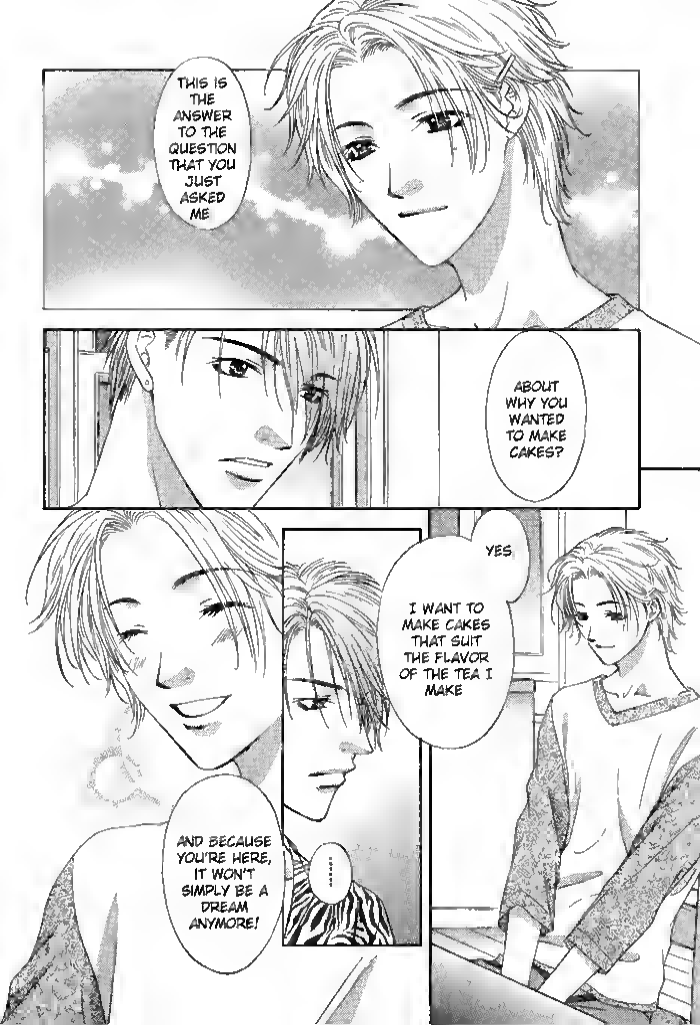
EVEN THOUGH I'M A MAN, I ALSO THINK THAT HE'S VERY CUTE
I CAN UNDER-STAND THEIR FEELINGS
I CAN SEE THAT HE'S REALLY LOVED
WHAT WHAT WAS I THINKING ABOUT JUST NOW!?
NO PROB-LEM! I CAN MAKE PANCAKES NOW!
REAL-LY? THAT SURE IS ENORMOUS PROGRESS!
AH! IT'S OKAY, I ONLY CAME TO CHECK ON MEGUMI-KUN.
WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO DRINK, SAKIKO-SAN? OR DO YOU WANT ANY-THING TO EAT?

I DON'T KNOW HOW BUT I BECAME HIS TEACHER.
MHM!
IT WAS ALL THANKS TO HONDA!
Right?
NN...
THAT'S RIGHT
EVER SINCE THAT PANCAKE ACCIDENT,
3
2
1
Beep!
Beep!
DONE!
CAN I TAKE IT OUT OF THE OVEN?
YES, AND THEN REMOVE THE MOLD AND LET THE CAKE COOL OFF.
WAH!

GREAT! A BIG SUCCESS!
THIS SPONGE CAKE IS REALLY BEAUTIFULLY BAKED.
HONDA IS REALLY INCREDIBLE,
LIKE A MAGICIAN
I'M SO LUCKY TO HAVE TAKEN YOU IN!
YEAH, YEAH
BUT... I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO ASK YOU,
WHY DO YOU ALWAYS WANT TO MAKE CAKES?
HUH?
I NEVER TOLD YOU?
I'VE NEVER HEARD YOU TALK ABOUT IT

PLEASE
RED TEA?
YOU PREPARED THIS?
YES, HAVE A TRY
OKAY
THE COLOR'S BEAUTIFUL
THE AROMA IS GREAT TOO
BUT THE QUESTION IS, HOW IS THE FLAVOR ?
WAH
IT'S DELICIOUS!

DO YOU LIKE IT?
YEAH, IT TASTES REALLY GOOD!
ACTUALLY, BECAUSE YOU MADE IT, I WAS WONDERING HOW IT WOULD TURN OUT...
Ah, sorry.
It's okay. They all say that.
EARL GREY TEA AND...
ORANGE PEKOE MIX...
RIGHT?
THAT'S RIGHT, HONDA'S NOSE AND TONGUE ARE BOTH AMAZING
THANKS.
AND THIS IS...
UMM...


THIS IS THE ANSWER TO THE QUESTION THAT YOU JUST ASKED ME
ABOUT WHY YOU WANTED TO MAKE CAKES?
YES.
I WANT TO MAKE CAKES THAT SUIT THE FLAVOR OF THE TEA I MAKE
.....
AND BECAUSE YOU'RE HERE, IT WON'T SIMPLY BE A DREAM ANYMORE!

BUT ISN'T CAKE THE SYMBOL OF HAPPINESS?
BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO MAKE CAKES, SINCE THIS RED TEA IS ENOUGH, RIGHT?
SO THAT'S IT..
HAPPINESS ?
IS IT? I'M NOT SURE
IT JUST HAS TO TASTE GOOD, RIGHT?
IN THE END, IT'S JUST FOOD

HONDA?
THUD
THANKS FOR THE TEA
WE AREN'T GOING TO MAKE ANY MORE CAKES TODAY, ARE WE?
SORRY, BUT I WANT TO TAKE A WALK
SLAM

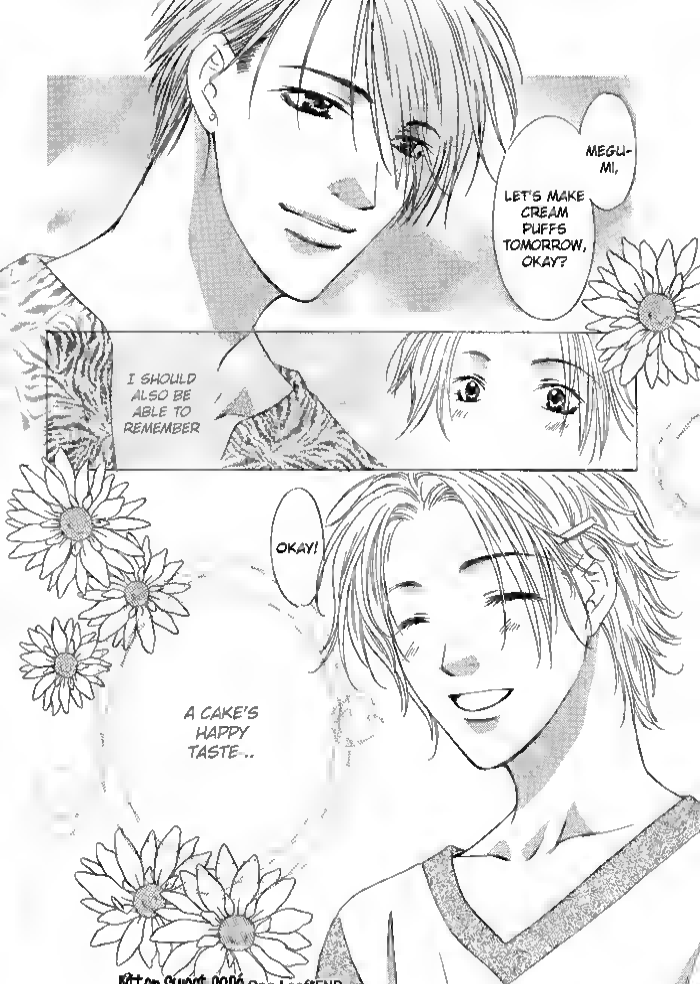
CAKE IS THE SYMBOL OF HAPPINESS?
HONDA ...
IF I COULD LOOK AT THINGS IN SUCH A NAIVE WAY,
I SUPPOSE EVERYTHING WOULD BE EASIER.

THAT'S ALL THEY ARE
FOR ME, CAKES ARE MERELY COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS,
THINGS THAT MUST BE SOLD.
NEW WORK
NOEL _ European Desserts
Consolation Prize
CONSOLATION PRIZE?
THAT'S TOO BAD, SENPAI .

YUUJI!?
MY STRENGTH CAN ONLY GO THIS FAR.
YUUJI
I UMM
CONGRATULATIONS ON WINNING A PRIZE.
IT'S SUCH A SHAME THAT YOU DIDN'T GET FIRST PLACE.

ABOUT THAT— I'M REALLY SORRY. WOULD YOU PLEASE COME BACK?
YUUJI
ARE YOU KIDDING?
OR DO YOU JUST THINK THAT I'M AN IDIOT?
UGH
BUT,
THANKS TO YOU, I'VE MADE UP MY MIND.

GOODBYE, SENPAI.
PLEASE GET RID OF EVERY-THING I'VE LEFT BEHIND.
I WON'T BE COMING BACK
MEGUMI... BEING WITH SOMEONE AS CHEERFUL AS YOU,
COULD I ALSO
AH! HONDA! I found you!
I THOUGHT YOU'D GOTTEN LOST AGAIN!
GREAT!
NO... I JUST WENT FOR A WALK


MEGU-MI,
LET'S MAKE CREAM PUFFS TOMORROW, OKAY?
I SHOULD ALSO BE ABLE TO REMEMBER
OKAY!
A CAKE'S HAPPY TASTE..

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Two leaves

MEGU-MI GET UP ALREA-DY!
NGH
HEY, MEGUMI
Always the same, never wants to get up
FIVE MORE MINUTES
NO!
HURRY AND GET UP NOW!

Damn.
HONDA, ISN'T IT STILL EARLY!?
BESIDES, THE SHOP'S CLOSED TODAY.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? AREN'T WE TASTE-TESTING THE SWEETS FOR THE SHOP TODAY?
SAKIKO WILL ALSO BE COMING!
AH!
TUG
THAT'S RIGHT.
...
THUMP
AA
I... I'M LEAVING FIRST, SO YOU BETTER GET READY.
OKAY!
I'll be ready in a sec.

REAL-LY...
Thump
WHAT AM I THINKING ABOUT?
Whimper
MEGUMI IS A MAN...
...BUT HIS SKIN SEEMS SO SMOOTH
THUD
Thud
AH...
I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M THINKING THIS WAY...
IF THIS CONTINUES...

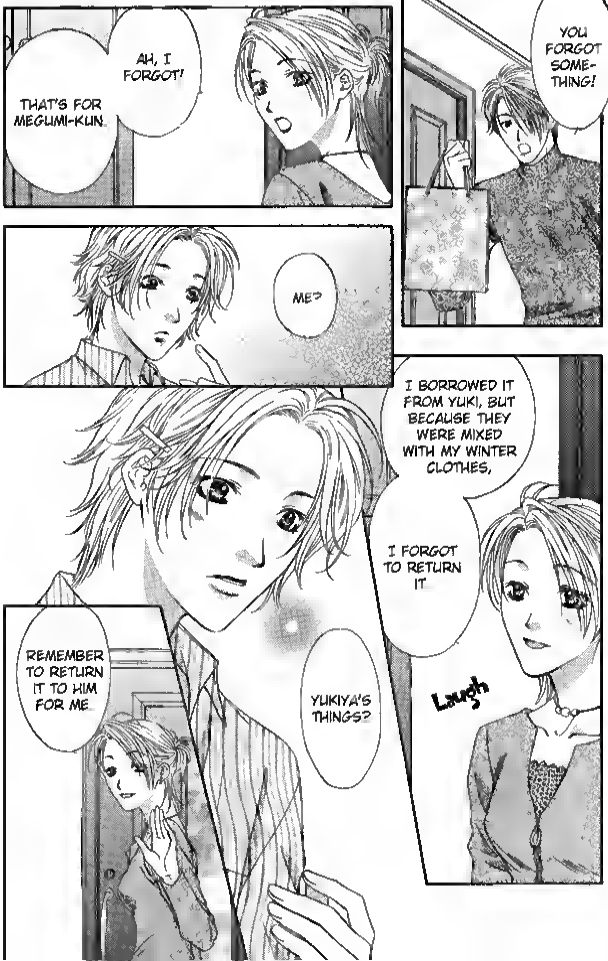
...THINGS MAY TURN OUT BAD
DING DONG
GOOD AFTER-NOON! I'M HERE!
SAKIKO, WELCOME!
I'M SORRY, YOU HARDLY HAVE ANY DAYS OFF...
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?
IF THERE'S FREE CAKE, THEN I'M VERY HAPPY!

TODAY, I PREPARED A TOTAL OF FIVE DIFFERENT CAKES.
MHM!
I LOOK FORWARD TO IT!
THE MEGUMI-KUN-RECOMMENDED-HONDA-MADE CAKE!
Uh huh!
IF THEY TASTE AS GOOD AS THEY LOOK, THEN THEY'LL BE SOLD RIGHT AWAY.
APPEARANCE-WISE THEY ALL SEEM TO BE PROFESSIONALLY MADE,
YOU CAN SAY THAT, BUT MEGUMI HELPED.
DID YOU MAKE ALL OF THESE, HONDA?
WAH! THEY LOOK SO PROFESSIONAL!

MM
OKAY!
THEY DO!
THEY TASTE GREAT! HURRY UP AND GIVE IT A TRY!
THEY LOOK REALLY CUTE,
AND THEY'RE NOT TOO SWEET. I'M SURE THE GIRLS WILL LOVE THEM!
WITH THESE CAKES, I'D VISIT YOUR CAFE EVERY DAY!
Whoa
DELI-CIOUS.
IT'S REALLY DELI-CIOUS!
SEE?
YES.
IF SAKIKO APPROVES, THEN IT'S GOT TO BE GOOD!
SEE?

ALL OF THESE ARE HONDA'S CREATIONS, RIGHT?
WERE YOU A PROFESSIONAL PATISSIER?
HUH?
WHAT?
BUT THIS...
AH
SAKIKO
AH SORRY, I DIDN'T MEAN TO PRY

NO, IT'S OKAY.
PLEASE DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT
THANKS FOR TODAY!
.....
NO PROB-LEM!
I HOPE YOU DO WELL
YEAH.
WE'LL START OFF WITH 2 OR 3 KINDS OF CAKES.
I'LL BE GOING THEN
SAKIKO!


YOU FORGOT SOME-THING!
AH, I FORGOT!
THAT'S FOR MEGUMI-KUN.
ME?
I BORROWED IT FROM YUKI, BUT BECAUSE THEY WERE MIXED WITH MY WINTER CLOTHES,
I FORGOT TO RETURN IT.
Laugh
YUKIYA'S THINGS?
REMEMBER TO RETURN IT TO HIM FOR ME.

OKAY!
BYE-BYE!
THEN, THIS...
THANK YOU.
RUSTLE
IT'S TRUE
...IT IS YUKIYA'S SHIRT.

YUKIYA...?
WHO IS HE?
MEGUMI...
I'VE NEVER SEEN YOU WITH SUCH AN EXPRESSION
WHY DO I

...CARE SO MUCH ABOUT HIS EXPRESSIONS?
NG.
I CAN'T SLEEP
.....
NO...
I CAN'T CALM DOWN.

MHM, OKAY, YEAH...
GOOD NIGHT.
STEP
Beep
MEGUMI STILL HASN'T SLEPT EITHER.
IT BELONGS TO THAT PERSON CALLED YUKIYA.
HU
HUH?
THAT SHIRT...

WHY IS MEGUMI WEARING IT?
Whine
YUKI...
NGH...
Slide
HUH ...!?
I'M SORRY, YUKI

IT CAN'T BE
HOW COULD MEGUMI DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS?
NGH
I CAN'T WATCH ANY LONGER.
I HAVE TO QUICKLY GO BACK TO MY ROOM
AH.
.....

NGH
SQUEEZE
AH...
NN!
NGH
MEGUMI...

AH...
AH...
YUKI...
AHH
AHH
AH...
UGH
HA
I...
I'M SUCH A FOOL

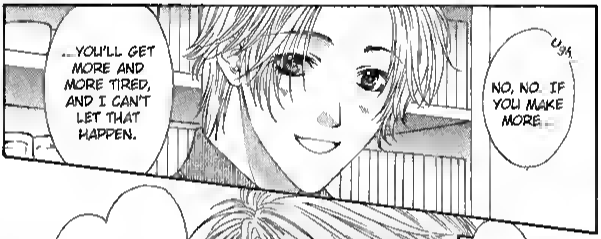
CLOSE
.....
SHIT!
SLIDE
DAMN!
HOW FOOLISH OF ME TO ONLY REALIZE NOW

IT MUST HAVE STARTED THAT DAY
I'VE FALLEN IN LOVE WITH HIM.
"HONDA!"
THE REASON I CAN'T FORGET HIIM AND WHY I CAN'T STOP THINKING ABOUT HIM
IS BECAUSE,
I SURE AM SLOW...

THE MOMENT I SAW THOSE TEA-RED EYES,
I THOUGHT THAT THEY WERE BEAUTIFUL
BUT
...I DIDN'T WANT TO ADMIT IT.
'YUKI...'
MEGUMI
ALREADY HAS A LOVER

RIIING
THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
AS SOON AS I REALIZED MY FEELINGS, I'VE ALREADY LOST MY CHANCE.
THIS SUCKS.
HONDA, LET'S TAKE A REST!
OKAY

THE CAKES WERE SO POPULAR!
A LOT ALSO ASKED IF THEY WERE FOR TAKE-OUT!
SHOULD WE MAKE MORE?


UM
NO, NO. IF YOU MAKE MORE...
...YOU'LL GET MORE AND MORE TIRED, AND I CAN'T LET THAT HAPPEN.

REALLY?
Click
IF IT'S FOR MEGUMI, I'D DO ANY-THING
HONDA...

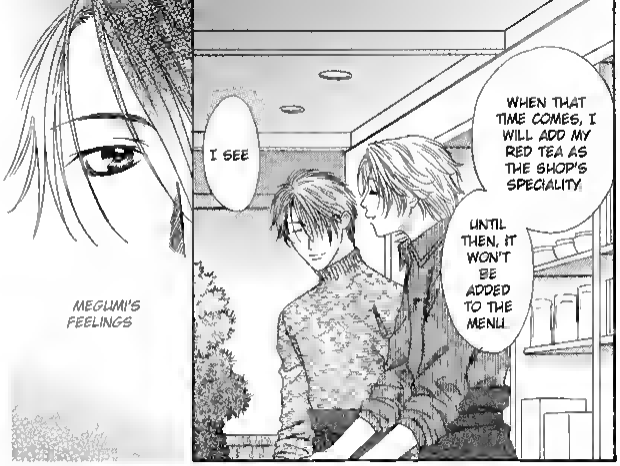
THANK YOU.
EVEN IF HE CAN'T BE WITH ME.
I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE HIM
BECAUSE I'VE GOTTEN USED TO BEING BY HIS SIDE, I CAN'T BEAR TO LOSE HIM.

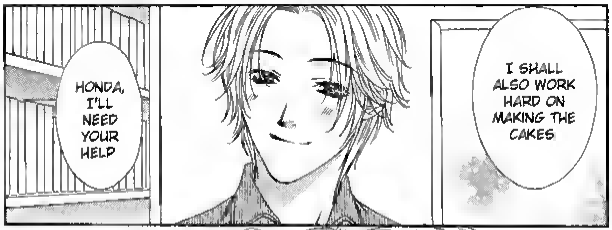
ISN'T IT TIME TO ADD THAT TEA TO THE MENU?
HUH?
RED TEA...
...PLEASE LET ME STAY
SO...
AH...
I CAN'T. NOT YET...
WHY?

THIS PLACE... DOESN'T REALLY BELONG TO ME.
YOU KIND OF MENTIONED IT BEFORE; WERE YOU HIRED AS A SHOP MANAGER?
MM..
ACTUALLY, THIS SHOP BELONGS TO YUKIYA.
Should I ask...?
YUKIYA IS...
HUH?
I HAVEN'T TOLD YOU?
YOU NEVER TOLD ME...
SIGH

YUKIYA IS MY UNCLE, MY FATHER'S YOUNGER BROTHER
THE PLACE WE LIVE AND THIS SHOP ALL BELONGS TO YUKIYA.
I SEE...
HIS UNCLE...
HUH?
THEN THEY ARE RELATED BY BLOOD?
YUKIYA TREATS ME REALLY WELL.
WHENEVER I WANT SOMETHING, HE'D ALWAYS GIVE IT TO ME...

BUT, I CAN'T CONTINUE TO BE SPOILED, RIGHT?
I'M NOT A KID ANYMORE...
MEGU-MI?
SO ONE DAY, I'LL HAVE MY OWN SHOP...
...AND THEN YUKIYA CAN SEE THAT I TOO CAN BE INDEPENDENT.
AH...
DON'T TELL ME THAT...


MEGUMI'S FEELINGS
I SEE
WHEN THAT TIME COMES, I WILL ADD MY RED TEA AS THE SHOP'S SPECIALITY.
UNTIL THEN, IT WON'T BE ADDED TO THE MENU.


HONDA, I'LL NEED YOUR HELP
I SHALL ALSO WORK HARD ON MAKING THE CAKES

SURE.
AS LONG AS I CAN HELP
...FOR YUKIYA,
IS ONLY A ONE-SIDED LOVE?

IF THAT'S TRUE
HERE?
...THEN I STILL HAVE A CHANCE
IF OFFERING MORE CAKES IS OUT OF THE QUESTION, HOW ABOUT DIFFERENT KINDS?
HUH?
WE CAN HAVE THE USUAL, LIKE CHOCOLATE AND CHEESE CAKE,
BUT HOW ABOUT ADDING SEASONAL CAKES?

CAN I— MEGUMI?
PERHAPS IT'S SLY OF ME TO THINK THIS WAY,
BUT CAN I SEE THIS AS A CHANCE TO GET INBETWEEN ?
THE FRUITS THIS SEASON TASTE REALLY GOOD
HOW ABOUT WE MAKE FRUIT TARTS?
YEAH!
YOU WANT TO TRY IT, MEGUMI?
YES! HONDA'S CAKES ARE SO DELICIOUS!
I'M REALLY EXCITED!
Hehe
I
DAZE

CAN'T LET GO OF MY FEELINGS FOR YOU.
YUUJI
WHAT FRUIT SHALL I USE?
Umm... GRAPES OR PERSIMMON... I also like bananas a lot~
Bitter Sweet Café Two Leaves"END

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Three leaves

LET'S TAKE OUR TIME THINKING UP THE NEW CAKES.
WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO EAT TONIGHT?
AS LONG AS IT'S MADE BY HONDA, ANYTHING'S FINE! ♡
IF YOU'LL EAT ANYTHING, THEN I WOULDN'T KNOW WHAT TO PREPARE.
HUH?
RING

AH.
SORRY, WE'RE ALREADY
YUUJI...
SEN-PAI?
HUH?

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HMM
I STILL CAN'T REMEMBER...
Am I getting old...?
WHAT IS IT, SAKIKO?
I'M THINKING ABOUT THE FLAVOR OF THIS CAKE THAT I TASTED...
I KNOW I'VE TRIED IT SOMEWHERE...
Hmm?
WAS IT YUMMY?
Well...
MEGUMI-KUN IS SELLING IT AT THE SHOP

I'M STILL DECIDING WHETHER WE SHOULD PUT IT IN OUR PLAN OR NOT.
WHICH PLAN?
'FUTURE TOP SHOP'!
REALLY?
IT'S REALLY POPULAR!
AH! I KNOW OF IT!
Lots of office ladies frequent there.
AH!
THAT'S IT!
HUH?

FOUND IT! IT'S THIS ONE!
THAT'S HIM! IT MUST BE HIM!
RIGHT, HONDA YUUJI!
Patisserie Owner Assistant Honda
I LIKED THEIR CAKES SO MUCH HOW COULD I FORGET?
AH.
OH, CAMPAGNE...
BUT... ISN'T THE REPUTATION OF THIS PLACE GOING DOWN?
HUH?
WELL LATELY, THEIR CAKES HAVEN'T TASTED AS GOOD,
AND THE NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS HAVE DECREASED.

REALLY?
UMM ..
IS HE SOMEONE YOU KNOW, HONDA?
YES.
YUUJI...

HOW DID YOU KNOW I WAS HERE?
I HEARD RUMORS...
RUMORS...?
SOME CUSTOMERS MENTIONED THIS SHOP'S CAKES... THAT THEY WERE SIMILAR TO THOSE YOU USED TO MAKE...
SO...
SO?
I WON'T GO BACK TO THAT SHOP!
IF THIS CONTINUES, THE SHOP WILL BE IN CRISIS!
PLEASE DON'T BE LIKE THIS!

HUH?
THE CUSTOMERS SAY THE CAKES DON'T TASTE AS GOOD,
SO THEIR NUMBER HAS DECREASED.
IF THIS CONTINUES..
IF THIS CONTINUES, THE SHOP WILL HAVE TO CLOSE!
YUUJI... I NEED YOU TO COME BACK!
HONDA
.....
THEN..

I KNOW... YOU REALLY WANTED TO GET FIRST PLACE AND WIN THE OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY OVERSEAS.
...THAT'S WHY I HELPED YOU.
THAT'S BE-CAUSE...
...WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY THAT DURING THE COMPETITION?
EVEN IF IT WAS MY CREATION, FOR YOU, I WOULD HAVE GIVEN IT HAPPILY.
BUT WHY DID YOU STEAL MY RECIPES!?
TO ME, THAT IS BETRAYAL!
HONDA...

YUUJI...
I...
...WON'T MAKE CAKES WITH YOU ANYMORE
CLENCH
DON'T SAY THAT!
THAT SHOP...
...ISN'T IT OUR SHOP?
I'VE GROWN SICK OF THAT IDEA AS WELL
WHAT?

I DON'T WANT TO MAKE CAKES.. JUST FOR PROFIT
RIGHT NOW, I ONLY WANT TO MAKE DELICIOUS CAKES..
..DELICIOUS CAKES THAT MAKE PEOPLE SMILE HAPPILY
MY DREAM NOW ..IS DIFFERENT FROM SENPAI'S
YUUJI

HONDA
IT'S OKAY, MEGUMI.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
YOU...
HUH?
WHAM
THUD
SEN-PAI!
WAS IT YOU!?
IT HURTS
WERE YOU THE ONE WHO PERSUADED YUUJI!?

YOU WANTED YUUJI'S HELP,
SO YOU MADE HIM THINK LIKE THIS, DIDN'T YOU!?
Cough
NO...
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!?
LET GO, YUUJI!
SENPAI!
I...
Riiing
WHAT'S THIS?
!

TAIKI!
WHAT'S ALL THE SHOUTING ABOUT?
UGH
SEN-PAI!
PUSH
SLAM

DAMN
WHAT MANNERS
TAIKI!
MEGU-MI,
HOW HAVE YOU BEEN LATELY?
I'VE BEEN GREAT!
WHY THE SUDDEN VISIT TODAY? DID YOU NEED SOMETHING?
NOTH-ING IN PARTI-CULAR
SAKIKO CALLED ME,
SO I REALLY WANTED TO SEE YOU, MEGUMI

UMM
NO, NOTHING!
DID ANYTHING HAPPEN?
IT LOOKS LIKE I CAME IN TIME TOO.
SO YOU'RE THE INFAMOUS HONDA YUUJI
MY NAME IS HONDA YUUJI
MY APOLOGIES, I WAS THE CAUSE OF THAT DISTURBANCE

I'M SAGAMI TAIKI, A FRIEND OF MEGUMI'S UNCLE, KATSURAGI YUKIYA.
SAGAMI'S COMPANY IS A GANGSTER COMPANY, RIGHT?
HEY! WE DON'T DO THAT KIND OF BUSINESS ANYMORE!
We're a proper company now!
OH... Gangster...
NO WONDER HE HAS THAT KIND OF AURA...
IT REALLY IS A FEARSOME ARMY
Shy fellow

I'VE HEARD A LOT OF THINGS ABOUT YOU,
NOTHING THAT I PARTICULARLY DISLIKED.
WHAT HAPPENED TODAY WASN'T EXTREME, SO I'LL LET IT GO

I ONLY WANT TO SAY ONE THING,
DON'T MAKE MEGUMI CRY.
IF YOU CAN'T DO THAT, THEN LEAVE THIS PLACE IMMEDIATELY.
TAIKI

I'LL NEVER MAKE MEGUMI CRY,
BECAUSE EVERYONE WANTS THEIR LOVED ONES TO SMILE, RIGHT?
I DON'T PLAN TO LEAVE
HONDA...
I WANT TO ALWAYS BE BY MEGUMI'S SIDE
LOOKING AT HIS HAPPY SMILE

MEGUMI ARE YOU ALL RIGHT WITH THAT?
AH...
MMM...
IF HONDA WASN'T HERE, I'D BE TROUBLED.
MEGUMI...
I GOT IT.
IF YOU SAY SO, THEN I HAVE NOTHING ELSE TO SAY.
WORK HARD AND MAKE THIS SHOP EVEN BETTER!
OKAY?
AH— RIGHT.

UGH...
IF YOU'VE REALLY MADE UP YOUR MIND TO BE WITH MEGUMI, THEN YOU'VE GOT TO MAKE IT CLEAR!
AS FOR YOU,
YUKIYA'S MUCH SCARIER THAN ME.
...
What kind of person is he?
YUKIYA'S SCARIER THAN A GANGSTER?
I'M LEAVING!
PING
IF THERE ARE ANY PROBLEMS, COME FIND ME ANYTIME!

I'M SORRY FOR CAUSING A COMMOTION
NO!
ME TOO, I MADE YOU WORRY...
I'M SORRY
I CAN STILL GO HOME, RIGHT?
TO OUR HOME...?
AH...

YEAH! LET'S GO HOME
TOGE-THER!
THE MORNING AND NIGHTS ARE GETTING REALLY COLD.
YEAH.
I LIKE WINTER A LOT.
Really?
I THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE SPRING BETTER.

IT'S BE-CAUSE
DURING WINTER, WE CAN REALLY FEEL THE WARMTH THAT WARM THINGS BRING, RIGHT?
WELL, THAT'S CERTAINLY TRUE
HONDA
HM?

IS IT REALLY OKAY IF YOU DON'T GO BACK TO THAT PERSON'S PLACE?
TAKAHASHI-SENPAI
—IS A VERY IMPORTANT PERSON TO ME
I WAS THE TYPE THAT ABANDONED THINGS HALFWAY THROUGH
It tastes even better than mine
HE WAS SOMEONE WHO DIDN'T ABANDON ME
"YUUJI, YOU'RE AMAZING!"
"I WANT TO OPEN A SHOP TOGETHER?"
WE WORKED IN THE SAME PLACE,
AND SOON WERE ABLE TO OPEN OUR OWN SHOP
WE BOTH— —HAD THE SAME DREAM

BUT IT WAS ONLY AN ILLUSION .
HOW COME?
HE STOLE YOUR RECIPE JUST THIS ONCE, RIGHT?
BECAUSE OF THAT ONE TIME, YOUR RELATION-SHIP WAS EASILY DESTROYED?
I KNOW
.THE REASON BEHIND IT,
BUT
... MY FEELINGS CANNOT FORGIVE HIM.
IT WOULD'VE BEEN BETTER IF I HAD CRIED
ON THAT RAINY DAY
IF ON THAT DAY, I SPOKE OUT ALL MY DISCONTENT TOWARDS HIM ..
.PERHAPS THINGS WOULDN'T BE THIS WAY

BUT MY PRIDE WON'T ALLOW THAT,
SO I CAN'T CHANGE ANYTHING
TUG
SORRY ...
I SHOULDN'T HAVE MENTIONED THINGS YOU DIDN'T WANT TO REMEMBER
IT'S OKAY ...
BUT...
HONDA ..
MEETING YOU HAS TAUGHT ME MANY THINGS
I DON'T FEEL SAD ANYMORE...
HONDA?

EVEN IF MY PAST IS DESTROYED
...BECAUSE I MET YOU
HONDA
NN...
...YOU GAVE ME HOPE TO DREAM AGAIN

ALL I HAD TO DO WAS WANT TO DREAM AGAIN
NN...
I LOVE YOU, MEGU-MI
HONDA-
YOU... SO SUDDENLY
HUH?

WOULD IT BE BETTER IF I DIDN'T KISS YOU SUDDEN-LY?
He-he
NO! NO!
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT, BUT... IT WAS SO SUDDEN...
EHEHARRASSED
THEN NEXT TIME, I'LL CONFESS FIRST.
IT'S NOT THAT!
YOU DIDN'T LIKE IT?
IT'S NOT THAT I DIDN'T LIKE IT...
PANIC
Panic
POUT
That expression should be illegal!
THE RECIPE FOR HAPPINESS,
LET'S GO HOME FIRST,
THEN YOU CAN TELL ME
Clumsy as always, huh?

IS ACTUALLY IN ONE'S OWN HAND
LET'S GO HOME!
LET'S GO...
OKAY!

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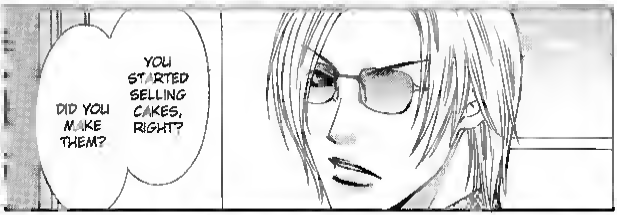
Bitter Sweet Cafe
Four leaves

RING
WELCOME!

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO ORDER?
COCKTAIL AND...


YOU STARTED SELLING CAKES, RIGHT?
DID YOU MAKE THEM?

Ah
YES
THEN GIVE ME THE LEAST SWEET CAKE
UNDER-STOOD.
I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM BEFORE,
BUT HE SEEMS TO BE AN OLD CUSTOMER.

HMM
IT'LL PASS
HUH?
RIING
YUKI-YA!?
HELLO

Haha... SORRY!
I THOUGHT IT WAS KIND OF STRANGE...
Seriously...
YOU TOLD TAIKI TO CALL ME OUT ON PURPOSE!
SAYING IT WAS SOMETHING IMPORTANT HE HAD TO TELL ME
I ALREADY SAID SORRY, SO DON'T GET ANGRY, MEGUMI.
YOU DID THIS TO TEST HONDA...
You've gone too far! ;;
Pout
SO THIS PERSON IS YUKIYA
Such a beauty

YOU STILL HAVEN'T WELCOMED ME HOME.
Dazed
WELCOME BACK, YUKIYA!
I'M BACK, MEGUMI.
So I've passed?
YUKIYA, THE BATH'S READY!
OKAY!

SORRY, HONDA.
YUKIYA ISN'T A BAD PERSON.
DON'T WORRY.
IT'S UNDERSTANDABLE FOR YUKIYA TO BE WORRIED.
A STRANGER, FROM WHO-KNOWS-WHERE,
SUDDENLY APPEARED DURING HIS ABSENCE.
THAT'S NOT TRUE!
I'M THE ONE WHO WANTED HONDA TO STAY HERE!
NO MATTER WHAT YUKIYA SAYS, I WANT YOU TO STAY HERE!

AH...
S-SORRY
I WAS A BIT TOO EMOTIONAL.
NOT AT ALL.
NO MATTER WHAT,
I WANT TO STAY WITH MEGUMI.
HONDA...

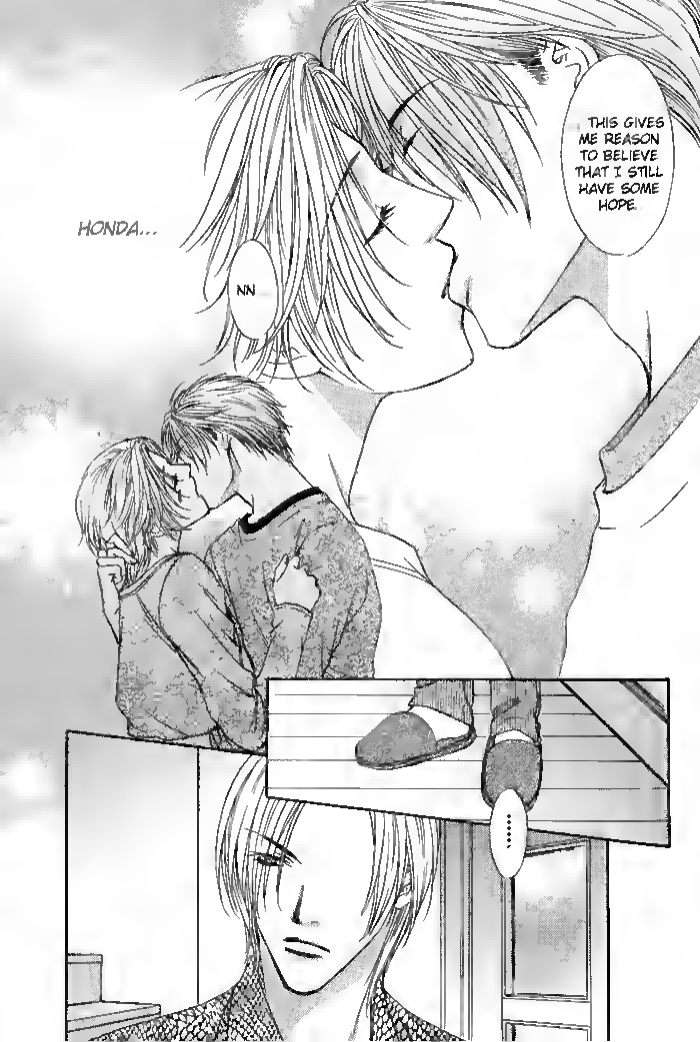
I WAS REALLY SHOCKED THOUGH
ABOUT YUKIYA?
YEAH.
I DIDN'T EXPECT HIM TO BE SO YOUNG
THERE'S A HUGE AGE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MY FATHER AND HIM

HE USED TO ALWAYS PLAY WITH ME,
AND I WAS HAPPIEST WHEN I WAS WITH HIM
MEGUMI

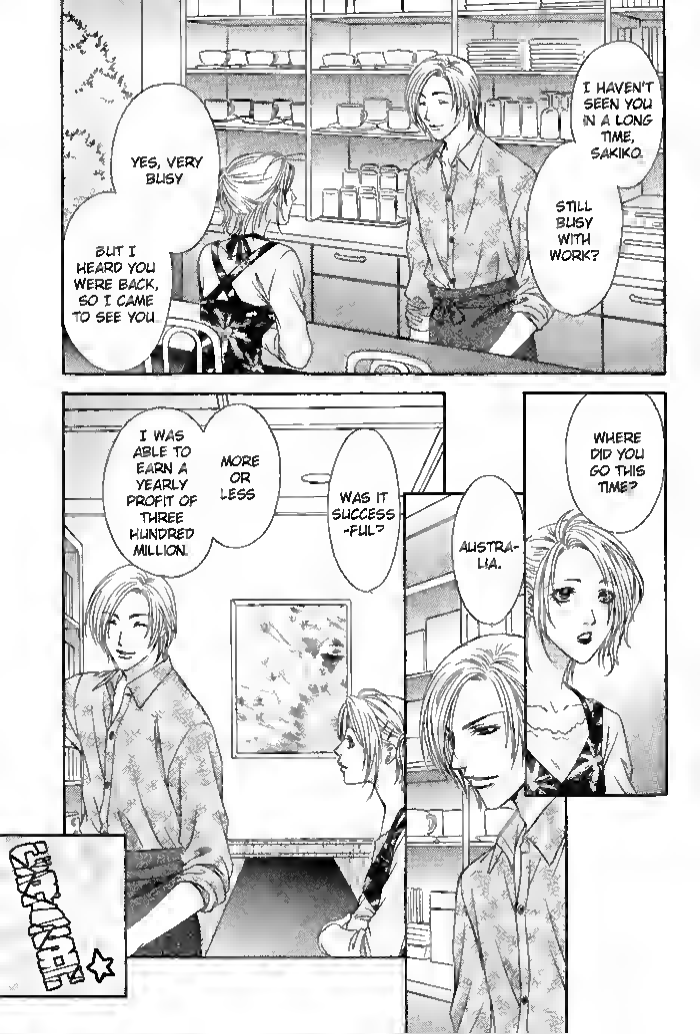
WHEN I WAS LEFT ALONE,
HE TOOK CARE OF ME
I SEE...
AT THAT TIME,
YUKIYA WAS MY WHOLE WORLD...
.....

YOU REALLY LIKE YUKIYA, HUH?
EH?
SEEMS LIKE I STILL CAN'T WIN...
WAIT... WAIT A MOMENT, HONDA.
YOU MEAN...
...BUT I WON'T GIVE UP!
Ba-dump

I'VE ALREADY SAID
THAT I LOVE YOU
HONDA .
EVEN IF MY RIVAL IS YUKIYA,
I WON'T GIVE UP
AH.
SO, I HOPE THAT YOU CAN FORGIVE ME FOR WANTING TO TOUCH YOU LIKE THIS
BE-CAUSE


THIS GIVES ME REASON TO BELIEVE THAT I STILL HAVE SOME HOPE
HONDA...
NN
.....

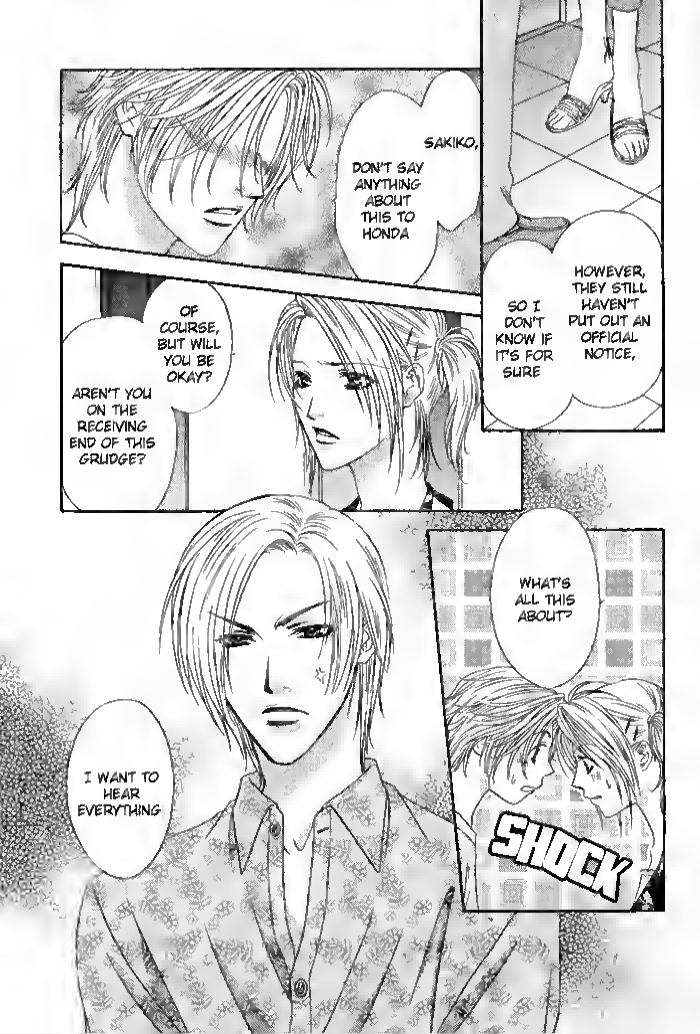
WELCOME!
TAP
HMPH!
Wan
THREE HANDSOME MEN TOGETHER...
SUCH A WONDERFUL SIGHT!
Looks like a host club!


I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU IN A LONG TIME, SAKIKO.
STILL BUSY WITH WORK?
YES, VERY BUSY
BUT I HEARD YOU WERE BACK, SO I CAME TO SEE YOU.
WHERE DID YOU GO THIS TIME?
AUSTRALIA.
WAS IT SUCCESS-FUL?
I WAS ABLE TO EARN A YEARLY PROFIT OF THREE HUNDRED MILLION.
MORE OR LESS
CONTINUED

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, HONDA?
SORRY
Three hundred million
WHAT KIND OF BUSINESS DOES YUKIYA DO?
Sweaters
Mm
SOMETHING LIKE A VENTURE BUSINESS?
HE USED TO WORK FOR A COMPANY,
BUT HE QUIT AND NOW HE DOES HIS OWN THING
PROBABLY BECAUSE OF ME

MEGUMI
THANK YOU.
HONDA, THE CAKE WAS REALLY DELICIOUS.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAISE
SAKIKO?
JUST FOR A MOMENT!
?
COME HERE, MEGUMI-KUN!
BY THE WAY,
Ah

Glint
THIS MIGHT TROUBLE YOU A BIT,
BUT IT SEEMS LIKE HONDA'S OLD SHOP IS CLOSING DOWN
HUH?
THEY HAVEN'T OPENED THESE PAST FEW DAYS


SAKIKO, DON'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT THIS TO HONDA
HOWEVER, THEY STILL HAVEN'T PUT OUT AN OFFICIAL NOTICE,
SO I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S FOR SURE
OF COURSE, BUT WILL YOU BE OKAY?
AREN'T YOU ON THE RECEIVING END OF THIS GRUDGE?
WHAT'S ALL THIS ABOUT?
SHOCK
I WANT TO HEAR EVERYTHING

THIS IS SERIOUS!
WHAT IF SOME-THING HAPPENS!?
WHY DO YOU STILL INSIST THAT HE STAY HERE!?
YUKIYA... THIS AND THAT ARE TWO DIFFERENT THINGS.
SLAM
THEY ARE NOT!
WHAT IF SOME-THING HAPPENS TO YOU!?
NO MATTER WHAT, HONDA HAS TO MOVE OUT NOW!

NO...
Clench
WHAT?
I WANT HONDA TO STAY HERE FOREVER!
I WON'T BACK DOWN NO MATTER WHAT YOU SAY!
MEGU-MI'?

HE'S NEVER DISOBEYED ME BEFORE...
SORRY, IT'S ALL MY FAULT.
HOWEVER, I HAVE NO INTENTION OF LEAVING
NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, I'LL PROTECT MEGUMI!
"PROTECT"? THAT'S EASY TO SAY.
THE PROBLEM IS IF MEGUMI IS ATTACKED...
...WHEN YOU'RE NOT AROUND

SAYING THAT YOU WANT TO PROTECT SOMEONE ISN'T ENOUGH.
YOU ALSO NEED TO THINK ABOUT THE OTHER FACTORS, DON'T YOU?
BUT...
...FOR ME, MEGUMI IS MY EVERYTHING.
I WANT TO STAY BY HIS SIDE FOREVER.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.

knock
knock
MEGUMI, CAN I COME IN?
MEGU-MI?
click
.....
I'M SORRY, IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF ME...
BUT, I'M VERY HAPPY...
NO...

BY MY OWN WILL, I WANT YOU TO STAY
I KNOW, I'M VERY HAPPY
HONDA-
DON'T CRY ANY-MORE, OKAY?
I PROMISE, I WON'T LEAVE YOUR SIDE
IN THE FUTURE, I'LL CONTINUE TO MAKE CAKES FOR YOU, OKAY?
MHM.

NOW IT SEEMS LIKE I'M THE BAD GUY
KA-RA-KU-RI
BAS-TARD!
SO YOU WOKE ME UP IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT TO COME OVER AND DRINK ALL MY LIQUOR?
S-TI-N-G-Y!
DON'T BE SO CHEAP!
GEEZ,
YOU ACT MORE LIKE A CHILD THAN MEGUMI DOES!
HMPH!

THERE'S NOTHING BAD ABOUT HONDA.
HE'S SURPRISING-LY DETERMINED.
WHAT DO YOU KNOW!?
I THINK MEGUMI ALSO LIKES HIM A LOT
ISN'T THAT GOOD?
UGH.
I KNOW BETTER THAN ANYONE HOW DIFFICULT IT WAS FOR YOU TO BRING UP MEGUMI.
I ALSO KNOW HOW MUCH YOU LOVE HIM.
GLINK
BUT IT'S ENOUGH ALREADY.
YOU SHOULD LET HIM BECOME INDEPEN-DENT

IT'S ALSO TIME THAT YOU BELONG ONLY TO ME,
YUKIYA
Hmmh.
SILLY ...
WU ..
MOM
DAD
WHERE ...
WHERE ARE YOU?

IT'S SO LONELY...
SO COLD...
COME
MEGUMI
.. COME
I'M HERE
YUKIYA.
AS LONG AS I'M HERE, I'LL ALWAYS BE WITH YOU

DON'T CRY ANYMORE.
NGH...
IT'S SO WARM...
REALLY, REALLY WARM...
Wake up
HUH?
HONDA?
THAT'S RIGHT, WE FELL ASLEEP LIKE THIS...
Extale

HONDA
HIS SMELL IS DIFFERENT FROM YUKIYA'S
HE ALSO HAS A DIFFERENT TEMPERATURE
THERE'S SO MANY DIFFERENCES, BUT I FEEL SO SAFE AND AT EASE
IT'S THE FIRST TIME THAT I'VE MET SOMEONE LIKE HONDA

WHAT KIND OF FEELING IS THIS?
I MADE YUKIYA ANGRY JUST TO KEEP THIS PERSON BY MY SIDE
TELL ME...

ビタースイートカフェ
Bitter Sweet Cafe
Five leaves

TAKUMI
GOOD GOOD MORNING
OH... MEGUMI, GOOD MORNING.
I-I'M LEAVING
BREAKFAST IS READY.
MHM, BECAUSE HE HAS TO PREPARE THE CAKES
OH... SO THAT GUY HAS ALREADY GONE TO THE SHOP?

MEGU-MI
WHA WHAT?
DO YOU REALLY LIKE HIM THAT MUCH?
HUH...?
I DON'T KNOW IF I LIKE HIM OR NOT...
...BUT I DEFINITELY DON'T WANT TO LOSE HIM
I SEE...

THEN, I'M GOING.
MHM.
HAVEN'T YOU REALIZED YOUR OWN FEELINGS?
MEGUMI?
PIIING
GOOD MORNING!

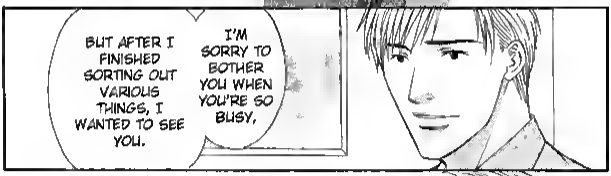
DO YOU KNOW ...
WHERE MEGUMI IS?
AH.
HE LEFT MUCH EARLIER THAN ME!

WHAT!?
IS IT HERE?

IT'S MY FAULT
IS IT REALLY GOING TO SHUT DOWN?
THERE REALLY ISN'T ANYONE HERE
IF I DIDN'T ASK HONDA TO STAY . .
IF I DIDN'T TAKE HONDA HOME
I DON'T EVEN WANT TO THINK ABOUT IT
BUT IF I LOSE HONDA NOW,

SORRY
I'LL GO LOOK FOR HIM!
DO YOU KNOW WHERE?
I THINK SO
SQUEAL
GASP

AH.
ARE YOU FREE RIGHT NOW, YUUJI?
SENPAI
IS HE THAT MAN?
YES
AT LEAST MEGUMI ISN'T IN DANGER FOR THE MOMENT

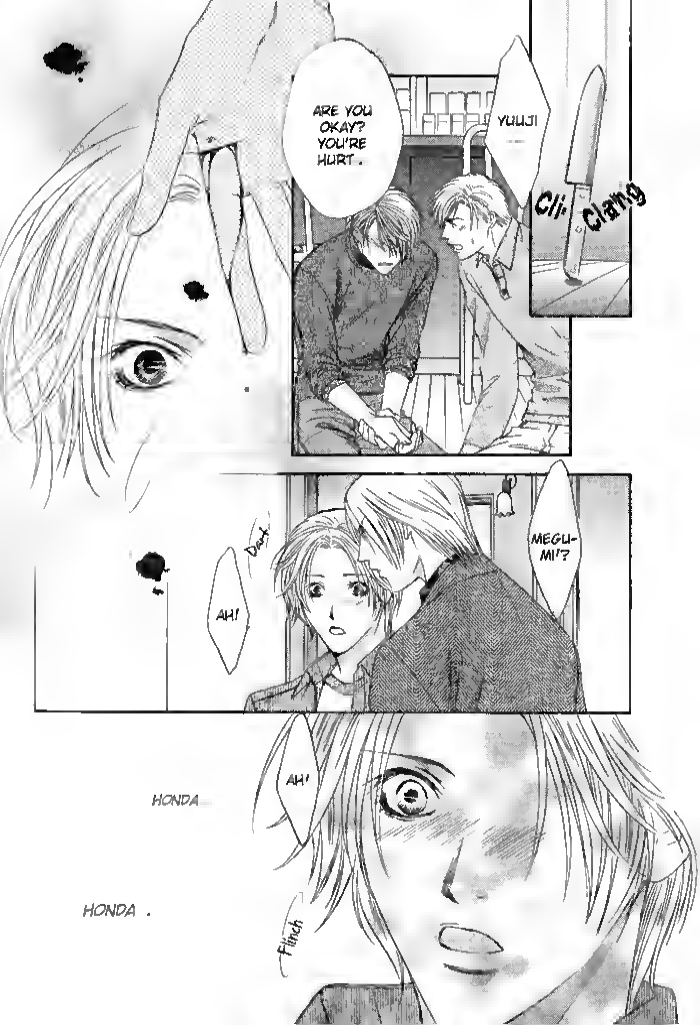

I'M SORRY TO BOTHER YOU WHEN YOU'RE SO BUSY,
BUT AFTER I FINISHED SORTING OUT VARIOUS THINGS, I WANTED TO SEE YOU.

YES
I CLOSED THE SHOP AND WILL RETURN TO THE COUNTRY-SIDE
I'VE CAUSED YOU A LOT OF TROUBLE,
SEN-PAI
THE END?

SO...
I CAN ONLY SAY THAT MY ABILITY WASN'T GOOD ENOUGH.
Fidget
Fidget
ハァハァ
SORRY!!
I'M LATE!

MEGUMI!!
IT'S ALL BE-CAUSE OF YOU!!
MEGUMI
!?
LET GO!
SENPAI! STOP IT!

MEGUMI, COME HERE!
HONDA!
LET GO OF ME, YUUJI!
BECAUSE OF THAT BRAT...!
SENPAI! PLEASE STOP!
UGH ...
Grab
UGH!
Ah!
YUUJI!?


ARE YOU OKAY? YOU'RE HURT.
YUUJI
Cli-Clang
MEGU-MI!?
Dash
AH!
AH!
HONDA
HONDA .
Flinch

MEGUMI, CALM DOWN!
HONDA IS FINE!
CALM DOWN, AND TAKE A DEEP BREATH!
MEGU-MI!?
JERK
AH...
AH...
HONDA!

IT'S OKAY.
I'M HERE
AH—
HONDA'S SMELL—
NN.
THIS IS GREAT—

HONDA'S STILL ALIVE...
SORRY, TAIKI I CAUSED YOU TROUBLE
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT
THAT MAN FINALLY ACCEPTED, AND OBEDIENTLY RETURNED TO THE COUNTRYSIDE
YEAH
YUKIYA
...

I NEVER IMAGINED MEGUMI'S FEELINGS HAD ALREADY REACHED THAT POINT..
HIS BODY REACTION WAS HONEST
SEEMS LIKE I'M NO LONGER USEFUL ..
YUKI...
I'VE GOT SOME GOOD ALCOHOL STORED UP.
I'LL DRINK WITH YOU
OKAY

AH
HUH? THIS IS MY ROOM?
SITTING UP SO SUDDENLY ARE YOU OKAY?
TODAY WE'RE ON A TEMPORARY BREAK,
SO YOU CAN REST
HONDA

HONDA, YOUR ...YOUR HAND WOUND?
AH.
AH.
THAT'S RIGHT... THAT PERSON CAME TO THE SHOP
NO PROBLEM.
IT WAS ONLY A SMALL WOUND
AH, AH

I DON'T WANT TO LOSE ANYONE AGAIN...
JUST LIKE THAT TIME, BEING LEFT ALONE...
THAT'S ... THAT'S GREAT...
MEGU-MI...
STOP CRYING...
WU...
WU...

HOW IRONIC
HONDA
BEING TOLD BY MY OWN BODY,
I SWEAR, I WON'T LEAVE YOU ALONE
PLEASE, DON'T CRY ANYMORE
THAT I ACTUALLY
MHM
MEGUMI
LOVE HONDA SO MUCH
OKAY

...
I HEARD FROM YUKIYA.
HUH?
WHEN YOU WERE LITTLE, YOUR PARENTS PASSED AWAY IN A CAR ACCIDENT.
EVER SINCE THEN, IF SOMETHING WERE TO HAPPEN TO SOMEONE THAT YOU CARED FOR, YOU'D HAVE DIFFICULTY IN BREATHING.
I'M SORRY
I'M SUCH A HORRIBLE PERSON.

I FELT REALLY HAPPY...
...KNOWING YOU WERE UNABLE TO BREATH BECAUSE OF ME.
HONDA?
THAT HAPPENED...
...BECAUSE YOU LOVE ME,
RIGHT?
AH
YES...

NGH...
HU...
NGH, NGH...
I...
I LOVE HONDA...
SO PLEASE, DON'T LEAVE ME. BE WITH ME FOREVER.
I DON'T EVER WANT TO BE LEFT ALONE AGAIN...
YEAH...
I WON'T EVER LEAVE YOU ALONE.

NO MATTER WHERE I GO, I'LL ALWAYS TAKE YOU WITH ME,
SO PROMISE YOU'LL NEVER LEAVE ME EITHER
HONDA
NGH...
NGH...
IS IT REALLY OKAY?
WHAT...?
I MEAN... DON'T YOU LIKE YUKIYA?

YUKIYA?
SORRY ACTUALLY, BEFORE . I SAW YOU.
AH...
Flush
UMM.. YOU'VE MIS-UNDER-STOOD
I KIND OF SAW YUKIYA AND TAIKI DOING IT...
HUH?
AND YUKIYA WAS SO BEAUTIFUL THAT TIME,
SO..
SO..
THAT'S WHAT IT WAS.
What was all that trouble I went through..
Shock
MEGUMI, YOU REALLY ARE BOLD...
You even think about Yukiya to comfort yourself?
HONDA?
THEN...

TOUCHING MEGUMI LIKE THIS...
PUP
AH!
AAHH
NGH...
NGH
WOULD MAKE ME THE FIRST?
HERE TOO?
Jump
AH...
ONLY... ME?
YES...
ONLY... HONDA

AH...
AH...
HONDA...
I'M REALLY HAPPY...
NGH...
slurp
Ohhh
AH, H...
Ohhhh
HU...
AH...

HONDA...
KISS
I SEE, YOU'RE MUCH CUTER THAN I THOUGHT, MEGUMI.
BECAUSE IT'S YOUR FIRST TIME, I WANT TO BE GENTLE.
BUT IT MAY HURT A LITTLE...
Slide
AH!
LOOSEN UP A BIT,
OTHERWISE IT'LL BE REALLY UNCOMFORTABLE.

Slip
Splish
Uhh!
AH
NGH
NGH
AH!
DID-
IT FEEL REALLY GOOD HERE?
I DON'T KNOW
AH AH!
Unnhh
Drp
SOR-RY
UGH

I... CAN'T HOLD BACK ANYMORE!
UGH!
AH!
MEGUMI!
HONDA
Hah
AH
NGH!

AH, AH, AH!
SORRY,
I WENT TOO FAR
NO, I'M VERY HAPPY.
DON'T FORGET OUR PROMISE
FROM NOW ON...
I WON'T.

IN THE FUTURE, THERE WILL BE BITTERNESS AND SWEETNESS
I PROMISE TO PROTECT YOU,
BECAUSE YOU ARE MY ONLY ONE
HONDA
I LOVE YOU
BUT I'M SURE THAT WE CAN OVERCOME THEM
AS LONG AS WE ARE TOGETHER
ME TOO
I LOVE YOU

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FREE ◆ TALK

Hello everyone! I'm Kanbe Akira and I'd like to thank everyone profoundly for reading Bitter Sweet Cafe! I actually like eating a lot, especially sweets. It was really hard drawing this manga, because I originally wanted to draw simple things, but the storyline deepened more and more. Perhaps I'm simply filling the gap in real life with manga. Personally, I like this story a lot. If there's another opportunity, I'd choose this kind of plot again. At the end, I added a little special extra. I hope that everyone will like it, so see you all again next time! ^^

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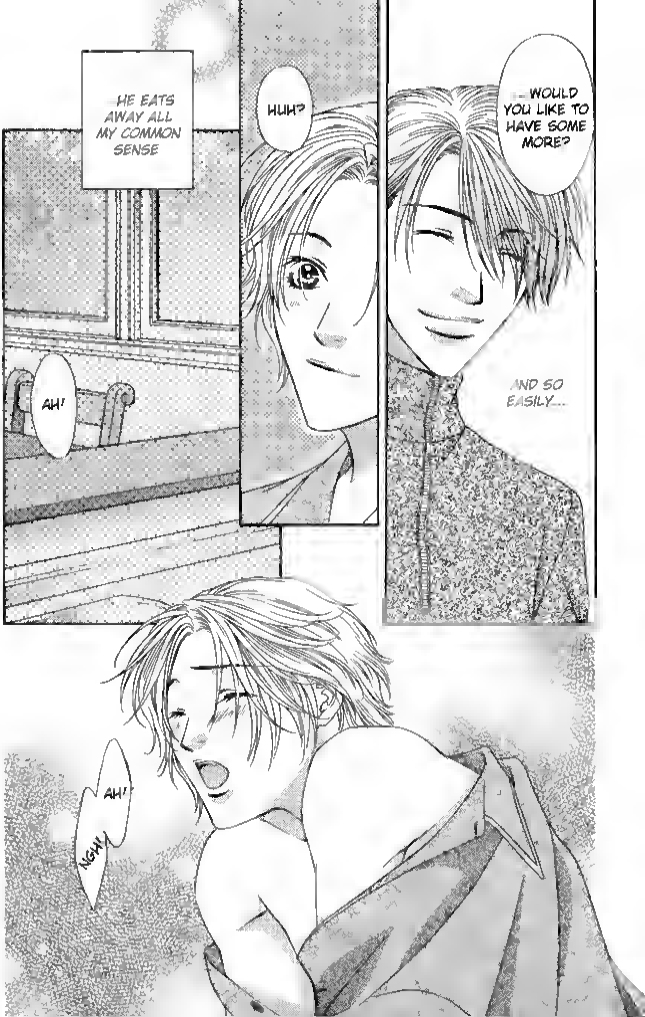
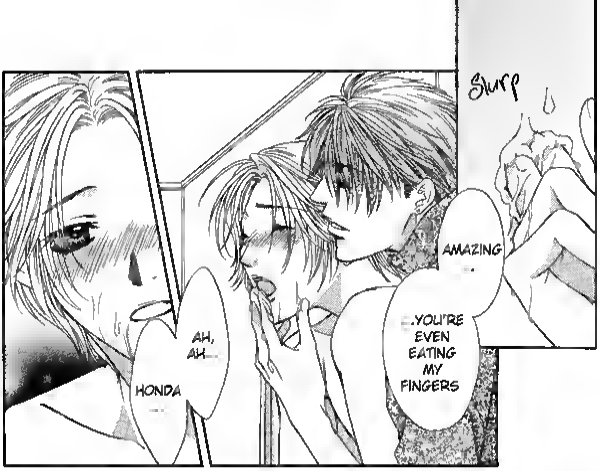
IT'S BEEN A MONTH SINCE I'VE BEEN WITH MEGUMI
GOOD MORNING!
SOMETHING SMELLS GOOD!
THIS SHOULD'VE BEEN OUR HONEYMOON PERIOD...
BUT UNDER YUKIYA'S STRICT SUPERVISION,
WE AREN'T ALLOWED TO BE CAREFREE.
Ah... MORNING, MEGUMI
It's already noon~
OMAKE
sweet kitchen

ISN'T TODAY A HOLIDAY? WHAT ARE YOU MAKING?
Snuggle
A NEW CAKE?
YEAH, I WANT TO TRY MAKING SWEETER CAKES SO I MADE A TOFFEE FLAVORED ONE.
CAN I TRY? ♡
Toffee!
AS A MAN, I SHOULD ENDURE,
Hehe
OF COUR-SE
BUT
AH~
UGH

HERE.
NN...
SUCK
Slurp
MM-
I DON'T KNOW IF HE DOES THIS ON PURPOSE, BUT
IT TASTES REALLY GOOD!
IT'S NO WONDER GIRLS LOVE THIS FLAVOR, HONDA!
HONDA ...
THEN...


HE EATS AWAY ALL MY COMMON SENSE
HUH?
WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE SOME MORE?
AND SO EASILY...
AH!
AH!
NGH!

AH...
LICK
MEGUMI... IS IT YUMMY?
Uuh! Aah!
AH, AH...
DO YOU WANT SOME MORE?
SPLAT


Slurp
AMAZING
...YOU'RE EVEN EATING MY FINGERS
AH, AH...
HONDA...

DO YOU WANT ME?
NGH...
NGH... NGH...
IF YOU WANT ME, THEN TELL ME

..I WANT YOU, HONDA.
GIVE IT TO ME...
DRIP
AH!

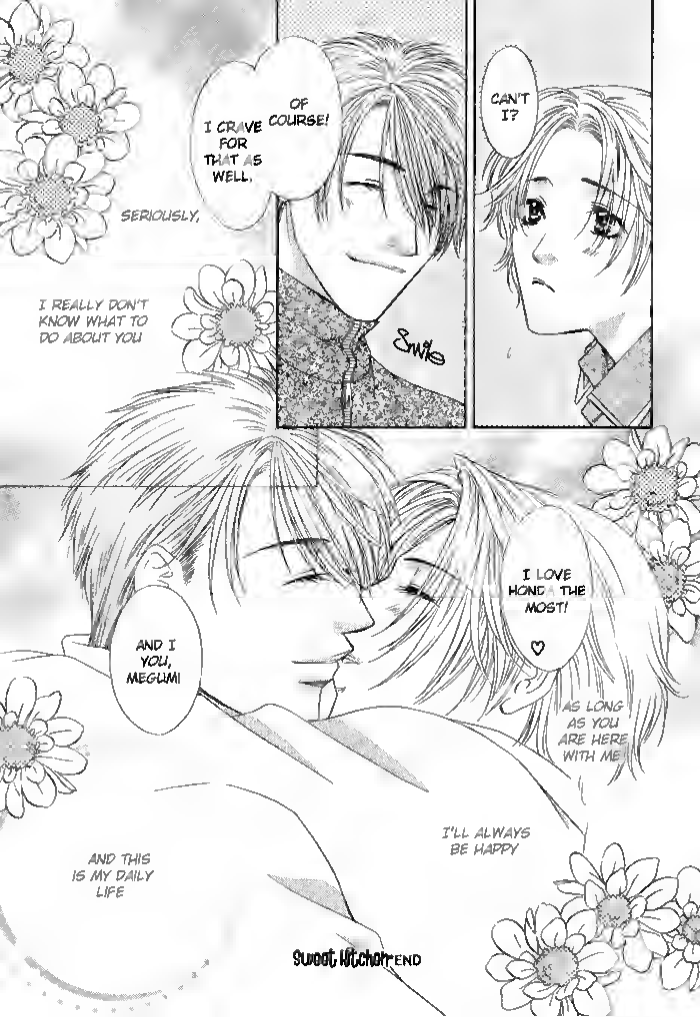
AH!
AH! NGH...
MEGU-MI
DO I TASTE GOOD?
NGH... NGH!
TA-TASTE GOOD...
MO ORE.
Uuuuhhhh!
NGH...
Hu

AH...
AH!
UGH...
AH...
AH!
AH!
SPLAT
HAAAAA
UHH!!
HA...

AH, AH...
THERE'S CREAM EVERYWHERE
I HAVE TO CLEAN THIS PLACE UP.
I'LL HELP.

BE-
CAUSE
. YUKIYA
FINALLY
WENT OUT.
HUH?
BUT, CAN
WE CLEAN
UP LATER?
MEGU-
MI?

I WANT TO
BE WITH
HONDA ALL
DAY TODAY!


OF COURSE!
I CRAVE FOR THAT AS WELL.
CAN'T I?
SERIOUSLY,
I REALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO ABOUT YOU
I LOVE HONO THE MOST!
AND I YOU, MEGUMI
AS LONG AS YOU ARE HERE WITH ME
I'LL ALWAYS BE HAPPY
AND THIS IS MY DAILY LIFE
Sweet Kitchen END

NAKAMA STAFF N CRACK

Episode 1 : Translators wanted

secrets within #nstaff

<kikiireru>lets whore it out, with a request message.
<kikiireru> @_@
<kikiireru>haka i need your witty humor, something to get translators to join us
<kikiireru> >.<
<hakanai-[work]> oooh. *ponders*
<hakanai-[work]> a haiku: a stable of bisb / for those Japanese fluent / nakama owns all okay kidding...
<hakanai-[work]> errr... the wit fails me today. o.o
* kikiireru kicks
<kikiireru>: for some reason ppl are scared of nakama
<hakanai-[work]> hehe. i suppose it's because you've been around forever. and take no shit.
<hakanai-[work]> but who wants shit anyway.
<hakanai-[work]> wanted: japanese translators who take no shit.
<hakanai-[work]> i wonder if that can be written in strange kanji that can have a totally different meaning.
<Artemis> hmmm... no shit? *thinks*

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